

<b>INFORMATION TO OFFERORS OR QUOTERS</b> <b>SECTION A - COVER SHEET</b>		<b>1. SOLICITATION NUMBER</b>  <b>SP0600-99-R-0098</b>	<b>2. (X one)</b> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50px;"></td> <td>a. SEALED BID</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;"><b>X</b></td> <td>b. NEGOTIATED (RFP)</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>c. NEGOTIATED (RFQ)</td> </tr> </table>		a. SEALED BID	<b>X</b>	b. NEGOTIATED (RFP)		c. NEGOTIATED (RFQ)
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**INSTRUCTIONS**

**NOTE THE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENT OF THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVISION OF THE OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS & CERTIFICATIONS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS CLAUSE WHICH MAY APPLY TO THE CONTRACT RESULTING FROM THIS SOLICITATION.**

You are cautioned to note the "Certification of Non-Segregated Facilities" in the solicitation. Failure to agree to the certification will render your reply non responsive to the terms of solicitations involving awards of contracts exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity clause.

"Fill-ins" are provided on the face of Standard Form 1449 or other solicitation documents and Sections of Table of Contents in this solicitation and should be examined for applicability.

See the provision of this solicitation entitled "INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (BULK)." (Clause L2.05-2)

When submitting your reply, the envelope used must be plainly marked with the Solicitation Number, as shown above and the date and local time set forth for bid opening or receipt of proposals in the solicitation document.

If NO RESPONSE is to be submitted, detach this sheet from the solicitation, complete the information requested on reverse, fold, affix postage, and mail. **NO ENVELOPE IS NECESSARY.**

Replies must be set forth full, accurate, and complete information as required by this solicitation (including attachments). The penalty for making false statements is prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

**3. ISSUING OFFICE (Complete mailing address, including Zip Code)**

**ATTN DESC BZB RM 2954**  
**DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPORT CENTER**  
**8725 JOHN J KINGMAN RD SUITE 4950**  
**FORT BELVOIR VA 22060-6222**  
**FACSIMILE NUMBER: (703) 767-8506**

**Purchase Programs 4.6**

**4. ITEMS TO BE PURCHASED (Brief description).**

**FUEL SYSTEM ICING INHIBITOR (FSII) MIL-I-85470A, HIGH FLASH, DIETHYLENE GLYCOL MONOMETHYL ETHER. 2,200,500 GALLONS FOR DELIVERY TO VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE UNITED STATES. THE NSN IS 6850-01-057-6427.**

**DELIVERY PERIOD: 01 JANUARY 2000 – 30 JANUARY 2001**

**5. PROCUREMENT INFORMATION (X and complete as applicable)**

<b>X</b>	<b>a. THIS PROCUREMENT IS UNRESTRICTED</b>			
	<b>b. THIS PROCUREMENT IS A ____% SET-ASIDE FOR ONE OF THE FOLLOWING (Xone). (See Section I of the Table of Contents in this solicitation for details of the set-aside.)</b>			
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**6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

IF YOUR FIRM DOES NOT WISH TO OFFER ON THIS SOLICITATION, BUT DOES WISH TO REMAIN ON THE MAILING LIST, THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED TO THE DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPORT CENTER WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER THE CLOSING DATE OF THE SOLICITATION. FAILURE TO RESPOND WITHIN THE TIME FRAME MAY RESULT IN AUTOMATIC REMOVAL FROM THE MAILING LIST.

**7. POINT OF CONTACT FOR INFORMATION**

<b>a. NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial)</b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALEXANDER, STEPHANIE F.</b></p>	<b>b. ADDRESS (Including Zip Code)</b> <b>ATTN DESC BZB RM 2954</b> <b>DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPPORT CENTER</b> <b>8725 JOHN J KINGMAN RD SUITE 4950</b> <b>FORT BELVOIR VA 22060-6222</b>
<b>c. TELEPHONE NUMBER (Including Area Code and Extension) (NO COLLECT CALLS) (703) 767-9268</b>	

8. REASONS FOR NO RESPONSE (X all that apply)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	a. CANNOT COMPLY WITH SPECIFICATIONS		<input type="checkbox"/> b. CANNOT MEET DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS
<input type="checkbox"/>	c. UNABLE TO IDENTIFY THE ITEM(S)		<input type="checkbox"/> d. DO NOT REGULARLY MANUFACTURE OR SELL THE TYPE OF ITEMS INVOLVED
<input type="checkbox"/>	e. OTHER (Specify)		
9. MAILING LIST INFORMATION (X one)			
<input type="checkbox"/>	YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	WE DESIRE TO BE RETAINED ON THE MAILING LIST FOR FUTURE PROCUREMENT OF THE TYPE OF ITEM(S) INVOLVED.
10. RESPONDING FIRM			
a. COMPANY NAME		b. ADDRESS (Including Zip Code)	
c. ACTION OFFICER			
(1) Typed or Printed Name (Last, First, Middle Initial)		(2) Title	(3) Signature
			(4) Date Signed (YYMMDD)

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SOLICITATION NUMBER	
SP0600-99-R-0098	
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TO     **ATTN BID CUSTODIAN DESC-CPC RM 3729  
DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPORT CENTER  
8725 JOHN J KINGMAN RD SUITE 4950  
FORT BELVOIR VA 22060-6222**

**1. SEND OFFERS TO THIS ADDRESS:**      **ATTN BID CUSTODIAN DESC CPC RM 3729**  
**DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPORT CENTER**  
**8725 JOHN J KINGMAN RD SUITE 4950**  
**FORT BELVOIR VA 22060-6222**

2. Offerors are advised to please complete and submit as your offer the original plus one copy of all forms contained in the accompanying **Offer Submission Package**. Copies of all documents submitted must be the same as the original.
3. Facsimile offers are authorized in accordance with Clause L2.11-2. If you are faxing your offer, please limit your fax to the contents of the offer submission package and follow with hard copy by mail. **The fax number for the Bid Custodian is (703) 767-8506. The number(s) to confirm receipt of fax offer is (703) 767-7367 or -8758.** Telegraphic offers are NOT authorized and will not be accepted.
4. The contact for questions regarding small business affairs is Mrs. Kathy Williams at (703) 767-9465 or (800) 523-2601.
5. Offerors are advised that the Federal Superfund Tax should not be included in your price(s).
6. Any offer determined to be outside the competitive range for this procurement will not be included in negotiations. Therefore, each initial offer should be submitted in good faith with the most favorable terms, from a price and technical standpoint. Award will be made to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to the minimum essential requirements of the solicitation is most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered.
7. NOTICE: Any award to a contractor who, at the time of award, was suspended, debarred, ineligible for receipt of contracts with government agencies or in receipt of a notice of proposed debarment from any government agency, is voidable at the option of the government.
8. Reference Clause B19.03, ECONOMIC PRICE ADJUSTMENT – MARKET PRICE (DIETHYLENE GLYCOL MONOMETHYL ETHER (DIEGME) FUEL SYSTEM ICING INHIBITOR (FSII)), offerors are advised that the base market month for RFP SP0600-99-R-0098 is May 1999; the base market price is \$1.273715. Offered prices should be tied to the \$1.273715 base market price.
9. For emergency situations during non-duty hours, contact the DESC Material Management - Logistics Response Center at (703) 767-8420.

SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS OFFEROR TO COMPLETE BLOCKS 12, 17, 23, 24, & 30					1. REQUISITION NUMBER <b>SCO600-99-0107</b>		PAGE 1 OF 13								
2. CONTRACT NUMBER		3.AWARD/EFFECTIVE DATE		4. ORDER NUMBER		5. SOLICITATION NUMBER <b>SP0600-99-R-0098</b>		6.. SOLICITATION ISSUE DATE <b>JULY 16, 1999</b>							
7. FOR SOLICITATION INFORMATION CALL:		a. NAME <b>STEPHANIE F. ALEXANDER, DESC-BZB</b>				b. TELEPHONE NUMBER (no collect calls) <b>(703)767-9268</b>		8. OFFER DUE DATE <b>AUGUST 16, 1999 3:00 P.M., Local Time.</b>							
9. ISSUED BY  <b>ATTN DESC BZB RM 2954 DEFENSE ENERGY SUPPORT CENTER 8725 JOHN J KINGMAN RD SUITE 4950 FORT BELVOIR VA 22060-6222</b>  <b>SEE ITEM 1 OF THE DD FORM 1707 FOR ADDRESS TO SEND OFFERS.</b>  <b>PP: 4.6</b>				SP0600		10. THIS ACQUISITION IS  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNRESTRICTED <input type="checkbox"/> SET ASIDE    % FOR  <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL BUSINESS <input type="checkbox"/> SMALL DISADV BUSINESS  <input type="checkbox"/> 8(A)  SIC: <b>2899</b> SIZE STANDARD: <b>See Clause L2.05-2</b>		11. DELIVERY FOR FOB DESTINATION UNLESS BLOCK IS MARKED <input type="checkbox"/> SEE SCHEDULE		12. DISCOUNT TERMS					
				13a. THIS CONTRACT IS RATED ORDER UNDER DPAS (15 CFR 700)											
				13b. RATING											
				14. METHOD OF SOLICITATION <input type="checkbox"/> RFQ <input type="checkbox"/> IFB <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RFP											
15. DELIVER TO <b>SEE SCHEDULE</b>				CODE		16. ADMINISTERED BY <b>SEE BLOCK 9</b>									
17a. CONTRACTOR / OFFEROR  TELEPHONE NO.		CODE		FACILITY CODE		18a. PAYMENT WILL BE MADE BY  DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE – COLUMBUS CENTER STOCK FUND DIRECTORATE FUELS ACCOUNTING AND PAYMENTS DIVISION ATTN: DFAS-CO-LFSA P.O. BOX 182317 COLUMBUS OH 43218-6250									
[ ] 17b. CHECK IF REMITTANCE IS DIFFERENT AND PUT SUCH ADDRESS IN OFFER						18b. SUBMIT INVOICES TO ADDRESS SHOWN IN BLOCK 18a. UNLESS BLOCK BELOW IS CHECKED  [ ] SEE ADDENDUM									
19. ITEM NO.		20. SCHEDULE OF SUPPLIES/SERVICES				21. QUANTITY		22. UNIT		23. UNIT PRICE		24. AMOUNT			
		<b>SEE CLAUSE B17 (SCHEDULE)</b> LIST YOUR PRICES BESIDE ITEM NUMBERS ON SCHEDULE SHEETS													
25. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA								26. TOTAL AWARD AMOUNT (For Govt. Use Only)							
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 27a. SOLICITATION INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-1, 52.212-4. FAR 52-212-3 AND 52.212-5 ARE ATTACHED. ADDENDA (X) ARE ( ) ARE NOT ATTACHED.. <input type="checkbox"/> 27b. CONTRACT/PURCHASE ORDER INCORPORATES BY REFERENCE FAR 52.212-4. FAR 52.212-5 IS ATTACHED. ADDENDA ( ) ARE ( ) ARE NOT ATTACHED.															
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 28. CONTRACTOR IS REQUIRED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT AND RETURN <u>  1  </u> COPIES TO ISSUING OFFICE. CONTRACTOR AGREES TO FURNISH AND DELIVER ALL ITEMS SET FORTH OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFIED ABOVE AND ON ANY ADDITIONAL SHEETS SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS SPECIFIED HEREIN.								<input type="checkbox"/> 29. AWARD OF CONTRACT: REFERENCE _____ OFFER DATED _____. YOUR OFFER ON SOLICITATION (BLOCK 5), INCLUDING ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES WHICH ARE SET FORTH HEREIN, IS ACCEPTED AS TO ITEMS..							
30a. SIGNATURE OF OFFEROR/CONTRACTOR						31a. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (SIGNATURE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER)									
30b. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (TYPE OR PRINT)						30c. DATE SIGNED				31b. NAME OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (TYPE OR PRINT) <b>JOHN R. WALKER</b>				31c. DATE SIGNED	
32a. QUANTITY IN COLUMN 21 HAS BEEN <input type="checkbox"/> RECEIVED <input type="checkbox"/> INSPECTED <input type="checkbox"/> ACCEPTED, AND CONFORMS TO THE CONTRACT, EXCEPT AS NOTED						33. SHIP NUMBER		34. VOUCHER NUMBER		35. AMOUNT VERIFIED CORRECT FOR					
						<input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL									
32b. SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED GOVT. REPRESENTATIVE						32c. DATE		36. PAYMENT <input type="checkbox"/> COMPLETE <input type="checkbox"/> PARTIAL <input type="checkbox"/> FINAL				37. CHECK NUMBER			
								38. S/R ACCOUNT NUMBER		39. S/R VOUCHER NUMBER		40. PAID BY			
41a. I CERTIFY THIS ACCOUNT IS CORRECT AND PROPER FOR PAYMENT						42a. RECEIVED BY (Print)									
41b. SIGNATURE AND TITLE OF CERTIFYING OFFICER						41c. DATE		42b. RECEIVED AT (Location)							
								42c. DATE REC'D (YY/MM/DD)		42d. TOTAL CONTAINERS					

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**SECTION G****G150.05 SUBMISSION OF INVOICES FOR PAYMENT-COMMERCIAL ITEMS (BULK) (DESC JAN 1999)****(a) CERTIFICATION OF RECEIPT.****(1) F.O.B. DESTINATION DELIVERIES.**

(i) The Quality Representative (QR) or authorized receiving activity personnel will certify the receipt and forward three copies to the appropriate paying office. If the receiving activity is not a U.S. organization, the authorized U.S. representative, as indicated in the SIOth, will certify and distribute the receiving documents. One of the copies of the receiving report submitted for payment must contain the original signature of the QR and will have the following information stamped, printed, or typed on it: "ORIGINAL RECEIVING REPORT FOR PAYMENT OF INVOICE". The receiving report must be signed by the QR to certify acceptance of the product prior to submission of the receiving report to the paying office.

(ii) The receipt for f.o.b. destination fuel may be one of the following documents:

- (A) The DD Form 250, Material Inspection and Receiving Report;
- (B) The DD Form 250-1, Tanker/Barge Material and Inspection Report; or
- (C) The DD Form 1155, Order for Supplies or Services, or the SF 1449, Solicitation/Contract/Order for

Commercial Items.

**(2) F.O.B. ORIGIN DELIVERIES.**

(i) The QR will certify the receiving report and provide the Contractor with three copies, except for electronic submission, which requires only one copy. One copy must contain the original signature of the QR and will have the following information stamped, printed, or typed on it: "ORIGINAL RECEIVING REPORT FOR PAYMENT OF INVOICE". The receiving report must be signed by the QR to certify acceptance of the product prior to submission of the receiving report to the paying office.

(ii) In order to receive payment, the Contractor must mail three copies (one of which will contain an original signature) of the applicable receiving report to the appropriate paying office, identifying the invoice numbers that are supported by the receiving documents. For electronic submission, the Contractor must maintain the hard copy receiving report for a period of seven years after final payment under this contract and will make it available for inspection by the Government, if requested.

(iii) When faxing an invoice, the Contractor shall also submit the applicable original receiving report no later than three days after each delivery. If the hard copy receiving report is not received from the Contractor by the paying office within 90 days of a facsimile receiving report, the provisions of this clause become inoperative and future fax messages will not be acceptable until remedial action is taken by the Contractor.

(iv) The receipt for f.o.b. origin fuel may be one of the following documents:

- (A) The DD Form 250, Material Inspection and Receiving Report;
- (B) The DD Form 250-1, Tanker/Barge Material and Inspection Report; or

**(b) SUBMISSION OF INVOICES BY MAIL.** Unless otherwise indicated on the face of the DD 1155 or SF 1449, hard copy invoices for product paid for by Defense Logistics Agency/DESC funds should be mailed to the address below:

DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE - COLUMBUS CENTER  
STOCK FUND DIRECTORATE  
FUELS ACCOUNTING AND PAYMENT DIVISION  
ATTN DFAS-CO-LFSA  
PO BOX 182317  
COLUMBUS OH 43218-6250

**(c) SUBMISSION OF INVOICES BY FACSIMILE.**

(1) Contractors that select the facsimile method of invoicing prior to contract award must do so for all invoices. Failure to comply with the requirements of this clause will result in revocation of the Contractor's right to submit invoices by the fax method.

(2) Contractors shall include their own fax number on each document transmitted.

(3) Fax number for invoices is **(614) 693-0670** (DFAS-CO-LF).

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(4) Contractors that elect to transmit invoices by fax are responsible for validating receipt of the faxed invoice. Verification can be made by calling Customer Service (DFAS-CO-LF) at **(800) 453-5014**, or (614) 693-4994 between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. EST/EDT, Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. DFAS-CO-LF will not be held accountable for transmissions not received.

(5) After transmitting the original invoice, the Contractor shall mark that invoice **“ORIGINAL INVOICE - FAXED”** and retain it. The hard copy is not required for payment and shall not be mailed to the payment office unless DFAS-CO-LF specifically requests it.

(d) **SUBMISSION OF INVOICES ELECTRONICALLY.**

(1) **APPLICABILITY.** Electronic submission of invoices applies only to DoD items paid for with DLA/DESC funds by DFAS Columbus, OH.

(2) **REQUIREMENTS.** Prior to submission of electronic invoices via electronic data interchange (EDI) under this clause, the Contractor and DESC must have a signed Trading Partner Agreement (TPA) and Addendum 810, Invoices, and Addendum 824, Invoice Return Notification. Invoices submitted electronically shall be in accordance with the provisions of the signed TPA and Addendum 810. Electronic invoices submitted shall be American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accredited Standard Committee (ASC) X12 810 Transaction Sets. These 810 Transaction Sets shall follow the AVNET Convention as specified by the Petroleum Industry Data Exchange. The electronic invoice shall contain all fields required by the AVNET Convention, including the contract number, order number, name of tanker and cargo number or shipment number (if applicable), item number, and contract description of supplies, services, sizes, quantities, unit price, and extended total, and, if shipment is made of a Government Bill of Lading, the Bill of Lading number.

(3) **INVOICING ADDRESS.** Electronic invoices for items paid for with DLA/DESC, as cited on the DD 1155 or SF 1449, shall be electronically submitted to DTDN/S39008 or GOVDP/S39008.

(e) **SUBMISSION OF INVOICES BY COURIER.**

(1) Couriers, acting on the behalf of the Contractor, may deliver Contractor invoices being submitted for payment to the following mailroom street address:

DEFENSE FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING SERVICE  
FUELS ACCOUNTING AND PAYMENTS  
DFAS-CO-LFS  
4280 EAST FIFTH AVENUE BLDG 6  
COLUMBUS OH 43219

(2) Invoices submitted by courier to the above address will be treated in a timely manner.

(f) **NOTES.**

(1) Invoices will reflect quantities in **whole** numbers.

(2) Unless otherwise expressly specified in the Schedule, payment of invoices will be made in U.S. currency.

(3) **INVOICING FOR DETENTION/DEMURRAGE COSTS.** Invoices for detention/demurrage costs will be submitted by the Contractor directly to the Contracting Officer.

(DESC 52.232-9F70)

**SECTION I****II.03-2 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS -- COMMERCIAL ITEMS (BULK) (DESC MAY 1999)**

(a) **INSPECTION/ACCEPTANCE.** See Addendum.

(b) **ASSIGNMENT.** The Contractor or its assignee's right to be paid amounts due as a result of performance of this contract, may be assigned to a bank, trust company, or other financing institution, including any Federal lending agency in accordance with the Assignment of Claims Act (31 U.S.C. 3727).

(c) **CHANGES.** See Addendum.

(d) **DISPUTES.** This contract is subject to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978, as amended (41 U.S.C. 601-613). Failure of the parties to this contract to reach agreement on any request for equitable adjustment, claim, appeal or action arising under or relating to this contract shall be a dispute to be resolved in accordance with the clause at FAR 52.233-1, DISPUTES, which is incorporated herein by reference. The Contractor shall proceed diligently with performance of this contract, pending final resolution of any dispute arising under the contract.

(e) **DEFINITIONS.** The clause at FAR 52.202-1, DEFINITIONS, is incorporated herein by reference. Also see Addendum.

(f) **EXCUSABLE DELAYS.** The Contractor shall be liable for default unless nonperformance is caused by an occurrence beyond the control of the Contractor and without its fault or negligence, such as acts of God or the public enemy, acts of the Government in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, fires, floods, epidemics, quarantine restrictions, strikes, unusually severe weather, and delays of common carriers. The Contractor shall notify the Contracting Officer in writing as soon as it is reasonably possible after the commencement of any excusable delay, setting forth the full particulars in connection therewith, shall remedy such occurrence with all reasonable dispatch, and shall promptly give written notice to the Contracting Officer of the cessation of such occurrence.

(g) **INVOICE.** The Contractor shall submit an original invoice and three copies (or electronic invoice, if authorized) to the address designated in the contract to receive invoices. An invoice must include--

- (1) Name and address of the Contractor;
- (2) Invoice date;
- (3) Contract number, contract line item number, and, if applicable, the order number;
- (4) Description, quantity, unit of measure, unit price, and extended price of the item delivered;
- (5) Shipping number and date of shipment including the bill of lading number and weight of shipment if shipped on Government bill of lading;
- (6) Terms of any prompt payment discount offered;
- (7) Name and address of official to whom payment is to be sent; and
- (8) Name, title, and phone number of person to be notified in event of defective invoice.

Invoices will be handled in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-125, Prompt Payment. Contractors are encouraged to assign an identification number to each invoice.

(h) **PATENT INDEMNITY.** The Contractor shall indemnify the Government and its officers, employees and agents against liability, including costs, for actual or alleged direct or contributory infringement of, or inducement to infringe, any United States or foreign patent, trademark or copyright, arising out of the performance of this contract, provided the Contractor is reasonably notified of such claims and proceedings.

(i) **PAYMENT.** Payment shall be made for items accepted by the Government that have been delivered to the delivery destinations set forth in this contract. The Government will make payment in accordance with the Prompt Payment Act (31 U.S.C. 3903) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular A-125, Prompt Payment. If the Government makes payment by Electronic Fund Transfer (EFT), see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause. If the Government makes payment by Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT), see 52.212-5(b) for the appropriate EFT clause. In connection with any discount offered for early payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. For the purposes of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date which appears on the payment check or the date on which an electronic funds transfer was made. Also see Addendum.

(j) **RISK OF LOSS.** Unless the contract specifically provides otherwise, risk of loss or damage to the supplies provided under this contract shall remain with the Contractor until, and shall pass to the Government upon--

- (1) Delivery of the supplies to a carrier, if transportation is f.o.b. origin; or
- (2) Delivery of the supplies to the Government at the destination specified in the contract, if transportation is f.o.b. destination.

(k) **TAXES.** See Addendum.



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(l) **TERMINATION FOR THE GOVERNMENT'S CONVENIENCE.** The Government reserves the right to terminate this contract, or any part thereof, for its sole convenience. In the event of such termination, the Contractor shall immediately stop all work hereunder and shall immediately cause any and all of its suppliers and subcontractors to cease work. Subject to the terms and conditions of this contract, the Contractor shall be paid a percentage of the contract price reflecting the percentage of the work performed prior to the notice of termination, plus reasonable charges the Contractor can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the Government using its standard record keeping system, have resulted from the termination. The Contractor shall not be required to comply with the cost accounting standards or contract cost principles for this purposes. This paragraph does not give the Government any right to audit the Contractor's records. The Contractor shall not be paid for any work performed or costs incurred which reasonably could have been avoided.

(m) **TERMINATION FOR CAUSE.** The Government may terminate this contract, or any part hereof, for cause in the event of any default by the Contractor, or if the Contractor fails to comply with any contract terms and conditions, or fails to provide the Government, upon request, with adequate assurances of future performance. In the event of termination for cause, the Government shall not be liable to the Contractor for any amount for supplies or services not accepted, and the Contractor shall be liable to the Government for any and all rights and remedies provided by law. If it is determined that the Government improperly terminated this contract for default, such termination shall be deemed a termination for convenience.

(n) **TITLE.** Unless specified elsewhere in this contract, title to items furnished under this contract shall pass to the Government upon acceptance, regardless of when or where the Government takes physical possession.

(o) **WARRANTY.** The Contractor warrants and implies that the items delivered hereunder are merchantable and fit for use for the particular purpose described in this contract.

(p) **LIMITATION OF LIABILITY.** Except as otherwise provided by an express or implied warranty, the Contractor will not be liable to the Government for consequential damages resulting from any defect or deficiencies in accepted items.

(q) **OTHER COMPLIANCES.** The Contractor shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, and local laws, executive orders, rules, and regulations applicable to its performance under this contract.

(r) **COMPLIANCE WITH LAWS UNIQUE TO GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.** The Contractor agrees to comply with 31 U.S.C. 1352 relating to limitations on the use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracts; 18 U.S.C. 431 relating to officials not to benefit; 40 U.S.C. 327 et seq., Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act; 41 U.S.C. 51-58, Anti-Kickback Act of 1986, 41 U.S.C. 265 and 10 U.S.C. 2409 relating to whistle blower protections; 49 U.S.C. 40118, Fly American; and 41 U.S.C. 423 relating to procurement integrity.

(s) **ORDER OF PRECEDENCE.** Any inconsistencies in this solicitation or contract shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order:

- (1) The schedule of supplies /services;
- (2) The Assignments; Disputes, Payments; Invoices; Other Compliances; and Compliance with Laws Unique to Government Contracts paragraphs of this clause;
- (3) The clause at 52.212-5;
- (4) Addenda to this solicitation or contract, including any license agreements for computer software;
- (5) Solicitation provisions if this is a solicitation;
- (6) Other paragraphs of this clause;
- (7) Standard Form 1449;
- (8) Other documents, exhibits, and attachments; and
- (9) The specification.

(FAR 52.212-4, **tailored**/DESC 52.212-9F40)

**11.04 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (MAY 1999)**

(a) The Contractor agrees to comply with the following FAR clauses, which are incorporated in this contract by reference, to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items:

- (1) 52.222-3, Convict Labor (E.O. 11755); and
- (2) 52.233-3, Protest After Award (31 U.S.C. 3553).

(b) The Contractor agrees to comply with the FAR clauses in this paragraph (b), which the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items or components:

**11.04 (Cont'd)**

**(Contracting Officer shall check as appropriate.)**

☒ 52.203-6, Restrictions on Subcontractor Sales to the Government, with Alternate I (41 U.S.C. 253g and 10 U.S.C. 2402).

☐ 52.219-3, Notice of Total HUBZone Small Business Set-Aside (Jan 1999).

☒ 52.219-4, Notice of Price Evaluation Preference for HUBZone Small Business Concerns (Jan 1999) (if the offeror elects to waive the preference, it shall so indicate in its offer).

☐ 52.219-5, Very Small Business Set-Aside (Pub. L. 103-403, section 304, Small Business Reauthorization and Amendments Act of 1994). ☐ Alt I. ☐ Alt II.

☒ 52.219-8, Utilization of Small Business Concerns (15 U.S.C. 637(d)(2) and (3)).

☒ 52.219-9, Small Business Subcontracting Plan (15 U.S.C. 637 (d)(4)).

☐ 52.219-14, Limitation on Subcontracting (15 U.S.C. 637(a)(14)).

☐ 52.219-23, Notice of Price Evaluation Adjustment for Small Disadvantaged Business Concerns (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323) (if the offeror elects to waive the adjustment, it shall so indicate in its offer). ☐ Alt I.

☐ 52.219-25, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program - Disadvantaged Status and Reporting (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).

☐ 52.219-26, Small Disadvantaged Business Participation Program - Incentive Subcontracting (Pub. L. 103-355, section 7102, and 10 U.S.C. 2323).

☒ 52.222-21, Prohibition of Segregated Facilities (Feb 1999).

☒ 52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (E.O. 11246).

☒ 52.222-35, Affirmative Action for Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era (38 U.S.C. 4212).

☒ 52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (29 U.S.C. 793).

☒ 52.222-37, Employment Reports on Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era (38 U.S.C. 4212).

☐ 52.225-3, Buy American Act - Supplies (41 U.S.C. 10).

☐ 52.225-9, Buy American Act - Trade Agreements Act - Balance of Payments Program (41 U.S.C. 10, 19 U.S.C. 2501-2582).

☐ 52.225-18, European Union Sanction for End Products (E.O. 12849).

☐ 52.225-19, European Union Sanction for Services (E.O. 12849).

☐ 52.225-21, Buy American Act - North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act - Balance of Payments Program (41 U.S.C. 10, Pub. L. 103-187). ☐ Alt I.

☐ 52.232-33, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer -- Central Contractor Registration (31 U.S.C. 3332).

**II.04 (Cont'd)**

[ ] 52.232-34, Payment by Electronic Funds Transfer -- Other than Central Contractor Registration (31 U.S.C. 3332).

[ ] 52.232-36, Payment by Third Party (31 U.S.C. 3332).

[ ] 52.239-1, Privacy or Security Safeguards (5 U.S.C. 552a).

[ **X** ] 52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (46 U.S.C. 1241).

(c) The Contractor agrees to comply with FAR clauses in this paragraph (c), applicable to commercial services, which the Contracting Officer has indicated as being incorporated in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or executive orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items or components:

**(Contracting Officer check as appropriate)**

[ ] 52.222-41, Service Contract Act of 1965, as amended (41 U.S.C. 351, et seq.).

[ ] 52.222-42, Statement of Equivalent Rates for Federal Hires (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).

[ ] 52.222-43, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act - Price Adjustment (Multiple Year and Option Contracts) (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).

[ ] 52.222-44, Fair Labor Standards Act and Service Contract Act - Price Adjustment (29 U.S.C. 206 and 41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).

[ ] 52.222-47, SCA Minimum Wages and Fringe Benefits Applicable to Successor Contractor Pursuant to Predecessor Contractor Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) (41 U.S.C. 351 et seq.).

(d) **COMPTROLLER GENERAL EXAMINATION OF RECORD.** The Contractor agrees to comply with the provisions of this paragraph (d) if this contract was awarded using other than sealed bid, is in excess of the simplified acquisition threshold, and does not contain the clause at 52.215-2, AUDIT AND RECORDS - NEGOTIATION.

(1) The Comptroller General of the United States, or an authorized representative of the Comptroller General, shall have access to and right to examine any of the Contractor's directly pertinent records involving transactions related to this contract.

(2) The Contractor shall make available at its offices at all reasonable times the records, materials, and other evidence for examination, audit, or reproduction, until 3 years after final payment under this contract or for any shorter period specified in FAR Subpart 4.7, Contractor Records Retention, of the other clauses of this contract. If this contract is completely or partially terminated, the records relating to the work terminated shall be made available for 3 years after any resulting final termination settlement. Records relating to appeals under the DISPUTES clause or to litigation or the settlement of claims arising under or relating to this contract shall be made available until such appeals, litigation, or claims are finally resolved.

(3) As used in this clause, records include books, documents, accounting procedures and practices, and other data, regardless of type and regardless of form. This does not require the Contractor to create or maintain any record that the Contractor does not maintain in the ordinary course of business or pursuant to a provision of law.

(e) Notwithstanding the requirements of the clauses in paragraphs (a), (b), (c) and (d) of this clause, the Contractor is not required to include any FAR clause, other than those listed below (and as may be required by any addenda to this paragraph to establish the reasonableness of prices under Part 15), in a subcontract for commercial items or commercial components:

52.222-26, Equal Opportunity (E.O. 11246);

52.222-35, Affirmative Action for Disabled Veterans and Veterans of the Vietnam Era (38 U.S.C. 4212); and

52.222-36, Affirmative Action for Workers with Disabilities (29 U.S.C. 793).

52.247-64, Preference for Privately Owned U.S.-Flag Commercial Vessels (46 U.S.C. 1241) (flow down not required for subcontracts awarded beginning May 1, 1996).

(FAR 52.212-5)

**11.05 CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS APPLICABLE TO DEFENSE ACQUISITIONS OF COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 1999)**

(a) The Contractor agrees to comply with the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) Clause 252.247-7023, Transportation of Supplies by Sea, which is included in this contract by reference to implement 10 U.S.C. 2631.

(b) The Contractor agrees to comply with any clause that is checked on the following list of DFARS clauses which, if checked, is included in this contract by reference to implement provisions of law or Executive Orders applicable to acquisitions of commercial items or components.

- ☐ 252.205-7000 Provision of Information to Cooperative Agreement Holders, 10 U.S.C. 2416
- ☐ 252.206-7000 Domestic Source Restriction, 10 U.S.C. 2304
- ☒ 252.219-7003 Small Business and Small Disadvantaged Business Subcontracting Plan (DoD Contracts), 15 U.S.C. 637
- ☐ 252.225-7001 Buy American Act and Balance of Payments Program, 41 U.S.C. 10a-10-d, E.O. 10582
- ☒ 252.225-7007 Buy American Act - Trade Agreements Act - Balance of Payments Program ( ☐ Alt I), 41 U.S.C. 10a-10d, 19 U.S.C. 2501-2518, and 19 U.S.C. 3301 note
- ☐ 252.225-7012 Preference for Certain Domestic Commodities
- ☐ 252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Specialty Metals. - 10 U.S.C. 2341 note
- ☐ 252.225-7015 Preference for Domestic Hand or Measuring Tools. - 10 U.S.C. 2241 note
- ☐ 252.225-7021 Trade Agreements ( ☐ Alt I), 19 U.S.C. 2501-2518 and 19 U.S.C. 3301 note
- ☐ 252.225-7027 Restriction on Contingent Fees for Foreign Military Sales, 22 U.S.C. 2779
- ☐ 252.225-7028 Exclusionary Policies and Practices of Foreign Governments, 22 U.S.C. 2755
- ☐ 252.225-7029 Restriction on Acquisition of Air Circuit Breakers, 10 U.S.C. 2534(a)93)
- ☐ 252.225-7036 Buy American Act - North American Free Trade Agreement Implementation Act - Balance of Payments Program ( ☐ Alt I), 41 U.S.C. 10a-10d and 19 U.S.C. 3301 note
- ☐ 252.227-7015 Technical Data Commercial Items, 10 U.S.C. 2320
- ☐ 252.227-7037 Validation of Restrictive Markings on Technical Data, 10 U.S.C. 2321
- ☒ 252.243-7002 Certification of Requests for Equitable Adjustment, 10 U.S.C. 2410
- ☐ 252.247-7024 Notification of Transportation of Supplies by Sea, 10 U.S.C. 2631

(c) In addition to the clauses listed in paragraph (b) of the CONTRACT TERMS AND CONDITIONS REQUIRED TO IMPLEMENT STATUTES OR EXECUTIVE ORDERS -- COMMERCIAL ITEMS clause of this contract, the Contractor shall include the terms of the following clause, if applicable, in subcontracts for commercial items or commercial components, awarded at any tier under the contract.

- ☐ 252.225-7014 Preference for Domestic Specialty Metals, Alternate I (10 U.S.C. 2241 note).

(DFARS 252.212-7001)

**SECTION K**

**K1.01-10 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (ALTS I/III)**  
**(MAY 1999/OCT 1998/JAN 1999)**  
**[SEE OFFER SUBMISSION PACKAGE FOR FULL TEXT]**

**K1.01-12 SMALL BUSINESS PROGRAM NOTICE (DESC MAR 1999)**  
**NOTICE.**

(a) If this solicitation is for supplies and has been set aside, in whole or in part, for small business concerns, then the clause in this solicitation providing notice of the set-aside contains restrictions on the source of the end items to be furnished.

(b) Under 15 U.S.C. 645(d), any person who misrepresents a firm's status as a small or small disadvantaged business concern in order to obtain a contract to be awarded under the preference programs established pursuant to sections 8(a), 8(d), 9, or 15 of the Small Business Act or any other provision of Federal law that specifically references section 8(d) for a definition of program eligibility, shall--

- (1) Be punished by imposition of a fine, imprisonment, or both;
- (2) Be subject to administrative remedies, including suspension and debarment; and
- (3) Be ineligible for participation in programs conducted under the authority of the Act.

(DESC 52.219-9F25)

**K1.05 OFFEROR REPRESENTATIONS AND CERTIFICATIONS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (NOV 1995)**

(a) **DEFINITIONS.** As used in this clause--

(1) **Foreign person** means any person other than a United States person as defined in Section 16(2) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 (50 U.S.C. App. Sec 2415).

(2) **United States person** is defined in Section 16(2) of the Export Administration Act of 1979 and means any United States resident or national (other than an individual resident outside the United States and employed by other than a United States person), any domestic concern (including any permanent domestic establishment of any foreign concern), and any foreign subsidiary or affiliate (including any permanent foreign establishment) of any domestic concern which is controlled in fact by such domestic concern, as determined under regulations of the President.

(b) **CERTIFICATION.** By submitting this offer, the offeror, if a foreign person, company, or entity, certifies that it--

- (1) Does not comply with the Secondary Arab Boycott of Israel; and
- (2) Is not taking or knowingly agreeing to take any action, with respect to the Secondary Boycott of Israel by Arab countries, which 50 U.S.C. App. Sec 2407(a) prohibits a United States person from taking.

(DFARS 252.212-7000)

**SECTION L****L2.05-2 INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (BULK) (DESC MAY 1998)**

(a) **STANDARD INDUSTRIAL CLASSIFICATION (SIC) CODE AND SMALL BUSINESS SIZE STANDARD.** The SIC code for this acquisition is **2899**. The small business size standard is **500** employees.

(b) **SUBMISSION OF OFFERS.** Submit signed and dated offers to the office specified in this solicitation at or before the exact time specified in this solicitation. Offers may be submitted on the SF 1449, letterhead stationery, or as otherwise specified in the solicitation. As a minimum, offers must show--

- (1) The solicitation number;
- (2) The time specified in the solicitation for receipt;
- (3) The name, address, and telephone, and facsimile number of the offeror (and electronic address if available);
- (4) A technical description of the items being offered in sufficient detail to evaluate compliance with the requirements in the solicitation. This may include product literature, or other documents, if necessary;
- (5) Terms of any express warranty;
- (6) Price and any discount terms;
- (7) "Remit to" address, if different from mailing address;
- (8) A completed copy of the representations and certifications in the certification package;
- (9) Acknowledgment of solicitation amendments;

(10) Names, titles, and telephone and facsimile numbers (and electronic addresses if available) of persons authorized to negotiate on the offeror's behalf with the Government in connection with this solicitation;

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(11) Name, title, and signature of person authorized to sign the proposal. Proposals signed by an agent shall be accompanied by evidence of that agent's authority, unless that evidence has been previously furnished to the issuing office;

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(12) Past performance information, when included as an evaluation factor, to include recent and relevant contracts for the same or similar items and other references (including contract numbers, points of contact with telephone numbers and other relevant information); and

(13) If the offer is not submitted on the SF 1449, include a statement specifying the extent of agreement with all terms, conditions, and provisions included in the solicitation. Offers that fail to furnish required representations or information, or that reject the terms and conditions of the solicitation may be excluded from consideration.

(c) **PERIOD FOR ACCEPTANCE OF OFFERS.** The offeror agrees to hold the prices in its offer firm for **180** calendar days from the date specified for receipt of offers, unless another time period is specified in an addendum to the solicitation.

(d) **PRODUCT SAMPLES.** When required by the solicitation, product samples shall be submitted at or prior to the time specified for receipt of offers. Unless otherwise specified in this solicitation, these samples shall be submitted at no expense to the Government, and returned at the sender's request and expense, unless they are destroyed during preaward testing.

(e) **MULTIPLE OFFERS.** Offerors are encouraged to submit multiple offers presenting alternative commercial items for satisfying the requirements of this solicitation. Each offer submitted will be evaluated separately.

(f) **LATE OFFERS.** Offers or modifications of offers received at the address specified for the receipt of offers after the exact time specified for receipt of offers will not be considered.

(g) **CONTRACT AWARD (not applicable to Invitations for Bids).**

(1) The Government intends to award a contract or contracts resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror(s) whose proposal(s) represents the best value after evaluation in accordance with the factors and subfactors in the solicitation.

(2) The Government may reject any or all proposals if such action is in the Government's interest.

(3) The Government may waive informalities and minor irregularities in proposals received.

**L2.05-2 (Cont'd)**

(4) The Government intends to evaluate proposals and award a contract after conducting discussions with offerors whose proposals have been determined to be within the competitive range. If the Contracting Officer determines that the number of proposals that would otherwise be in the competitive range exceeds the number at which an efficient competition can be conducted, the Contracting Officer may limit the number of proposals in the competitive range to the greatest number that will permit an efficient competition among the most highly rated proposals. Therefore, the offeror's initial proposal should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. While the Government intends to evaluate offers and award a contract after oral or written discussions with offerors, it reserves the right not to conduct discussions, as determined by the Contracting Officer. However, the offeror's initial offer should contain the offeror's best terms from a price and technical standpoint. The Government reserves the right not to conduct discussions as determined by the Contracting Officer. The Government may reject any or all offers if such action is in the public interest; accept other than the lowest offer; and waive informalities and minor irregularities in offers received.

(5) Exchanges with offerors after receipt of a proposal do not constitute a rejection or counteroffer by the Government.

(6) A written award or acceptance of proposal mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror with in the time specified in the proposal shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

(h) **MULTIPLE AWARDS.** The Government may accept any item or group of items of an offer, unless the offeror qualifies the offer by specific limitations. Unless otherwise provided in the Schedule, offers may be submitted for quantities less than those specified. The Government reserves the right to make an award on any item for a quantity less than the quantity offered, at the unit cost or prices offered, unless the offeror specifies otherwise in the offer.

(i) **AVAILABILITY OF REQUIREMENTS DOCUMENTS CITED IN THE SOLICITATION.**

(1) The Index of Federal Specifications, Standards, and Commercial Item Descriptions and the documents listed in it may be obtained from the General Services Administration, Federal Supply Service Bureau, Specifications Section, Suite 8100, 470 L'Enfant Plaza, SW, Washington, DC 20407 (telephone (202) 619-8925, 8926, or 8927). FAX number is (202) 619-8978 or 8985.

(2) The DOD Index of Specifications and Standards (DODISS) and documents listed in it may be obtained from the Standardization Documents Desk, Building 4D, 700 Robbins Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19111-5094 (telephone (215) 697-2569).

(i) Automatic distribution may be obtained on a subscription basis.

(ii) Individual documents may be ordered from the Telespecs ordering system by touch-tone telephone. A customer number is required to use this service and can be obtained from the Standardization Documents Order Desk or the Special Assistance Desk (telephone (610) 607-2667/2179).

(3) Nongovernment (voluntary) standards must be obtained from the organization responsible for their preparation, publication, or maintenance.

(j) **DATA UNIVERSAL NUMBERING SYSTEM (DUNS) NUMBER.** (Applies to offers exceeding \$25,000.) The offeror shall enter, in the block with its name and address on the cover page of its offer, the annotation "DUNS" followed by the DUNS number that identifies the offeror's name and address. If the offeror does not have the DUNS number, it should contact Dun and Bradstreet to obtain one at no charge. An offeror within the United States may call 1-800-333-0505. The offeror may obtain more information regarding the DUNS number, including locations of local Dun and Bradstreet Information Services offices for offerors located outside the United States, from the Internet home page at <http://www.dnb.com/>. If an offeror is unable to locate a local service center, it may send an e-mail to Dun and Bradstreet at [globalinfo@mail.dnb.com](mailto:globalinfo@mail.dnb.com).

(FAR 52.212-1, **tailored**)

(DESC 52.212-9F05)

**SECTION M****M2.11 EVALUATION - COMMERCIAL ITEMS (JAN 1999)**

(a) The Government will award a contract resulting from this solicitation to the responsible offeror whose offer conforming to this solicitation will be most advantageous to the Government, price and other factors considered. The following factors shall be used to evaluate offers:

**The Government will award a contract or group of contracts which will result in the lowest overall cost to the Government for the procurement as a whole, in accordance with other evaluation clauses contained in the solicitation**

Technical and past performance, when combined, are **N/A.**

(b) **OPTIONS.** The Government will evaluate offers for award purposes by adding the total price for all options to the total price for the basic requirement. The Government may determine that an offer is unacceptable if the option prices are significantly unbalanced. Evaluation of options shall not obligate the Government to exercise the option(s).

(c) A written notice of award or acceptance of offer, mailed or otherwise furnished to the successful offeror within the time for acceptance specified in the offer, shall result in a binding contract without further action by either party. Before the offer's specified expiration time, the Government may accept an offer (or part of an offer), whether or not there are negotiations after its receipt, unless a written notice of withdrawal is received before award.

(FAR 52.212-2)